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Sir:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action mailed August 11, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.